GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PCO IN BIHAR
SUKDEO PASWAN

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the district-wise number of PCOs functioning in Bihar;

(b) the number of applications lying pending for installation of PCOs in each district;

(c) the reasons for their pendency ; and

(d) the time by which these applications are likely to be cleared?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SIKDAR)

(a) & (b) Sir, the District-wise information is given in the annexure enclosed.

(c) The applictions are pending due to technical non-feasibility and due to franchisee`s problems.

(d) The pending applications are to be cleared progressively by 31-7-2002 subject to technical feasibility and applicants fulfilling other conditions.

ANNEXURE

Number of PCOs functioning in Bihar

Sl.No. Name of Revenue P.C.O. functioning Application pending forPCO District wise
District

1. Arrah 515 12

2. Buxur 310 13

3. Bhagalpur 599 61

4. Banka 268 19

5. Bettiah 536 Nil
6. Chapra 1717 Nil

7 Siwan 1166 Nil

8. Gopalganj 269 Nil

9. Darbhanga 662 30
10. Madhubani 986 97
11. Gaya 913 Nil
12. Jehanabad 353 Nil
13. Aurangabad 660 Nil
14. Nawada 439 Nil
15. Arwal 448 Nil
16. Hajipur 2218 Nil

17. Katihar 1002 33
18. Purnea 445 30
19. Araria 310 15
20. Kisanganj 248 28
21. Khagaria 304 Nil
22. Begusarai 732 Nil
23. Motihari 1347 Nil
24. Munger 435 15
25. Jamui 184 5
26. Lakhisarai 124 9
27. Sheikhpura 98 6
28. Muzaffarpur 1894 160
29. Sitamarhi 671 55
30. Sheohar 83 15
31. Patna 6500 412
32. Nalanda 761 174
33. Saharsa 338 1
34. Supaul 314 4
35. Madhepura 253 10
36. Samastipur 549 147
37. Sasaram 1047 Nil
38. Bhabhua 379 Nil

Total 30077 1351